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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3), Applicants' undersigned attorney submits the following concise explanation of the relevance of the non-English language document cited on the accompanying form:

Reference AL1, an article by Giger, *et al.*, describes a study in which the activity of dipeptidyl peptidase IV (DPP) in nasal biopsies from patient suffering from chronic rhinosinusitis was determined. The authors conclude that low level DPP activity is present and may contribute to the pathophysiological mechanism of nasal hyperreactivity and chronic rhinosinusitis. An English language summary is included on the first page of the article.

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Consideration of the cited documents and making the same of record in the prosecution of the above-captioned application are respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

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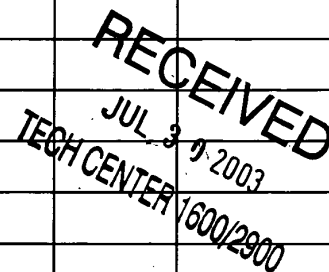
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